

counternarcotics enforcement, focusing on coordination at the federal, state, and local level, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine improving the ability of inspectors general to detect, prevent, and prosecute contracting fraud, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine protecting national security and civil liberties, focusing on strategies for terrorism information sharing, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the systemic threats of large financial institutions, 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon Building.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 21 through April 25, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at 10:00 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Christopher R. Hill, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: April 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the funding of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-192.

April 23, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, and the Office of the U.S. Capitol Police, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: April 22, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine environmental management stimulus funding, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

April 22, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of United States ground forces, with the possibility of a closed session following in SVC-217, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: April 23, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Ronald C. Sims, of Washington, to be Deputy Secretary, and Peter A. Kovar, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary,

both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: April 21, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Cameron Kerry, to be General Counsel, and April S. Boyd, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Commerce, Dana G. Gresham, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, Robert Rivkin, to be General Counsel, Roy W. Kienitz, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Policy, Peter Appel to be the Administrator of Research and Innovative Technology Administration, and Joseph C. Szabo, of Illinois, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation; and Sherburne B. Abbott, of Texas, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: April 22, to hold hearings to examine S. 548, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to establish a Federal energy efficiency resource standard for retail electricity and natural gas distributors, 10 a.m., SD-366.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kristina M. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary, Steven Elliot Koonin, of California, to be Under Secretary for Science, Ines R. Triay, of New Mexico, to be Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, and Scott Blake Harris, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Energy, and Hilary Chandler Tompkins, of New Mexico, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: April 22, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the General Services Administration and energy efficiency in public buildings, 10 a.m., SD-406.

April 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Regina McCarthy, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: April 21, to hold hearings to examine reforming America's health care delivery system; to include a business meeting to consider the nomination of Kathleen Sebelius, of Kansas, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SH-216.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine technology neutrality in energy tax, focusing on issues and options, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: April 21, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine United States diplomatic capacity in Africa, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine global climate change, focusing on United States leadership for a new global agreement, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Susan Flood Burk, of Virginia, to be Special Representative of the President, with the rank of Ambassador, and Ivo H. Daalder, of Virginia, to be United States Permanent Representative on the Council

of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, both of the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine soldiers' stories from the Afghan war, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: April 21, to hold hearings to examine empowering workers to rebuild America's economy and long-term competitiveness, focusing on green skills training for workers, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: April 21, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration, to hold hearings to examine counternarcotics enforcement, focusing on coordination at the federal, state, and local level, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

April 21, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine improving the ability of inspectors general to detect, prevent, and prosecute contracting fraud, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William Craig Fugate, of Florida, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and John Morton, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary for Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

April 22, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine eliminating waste and fraud in Medicare and Medicaid, 3 p.m., SD-342.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine state and local stimulus funding, 9 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: April 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Yvette Roubideaux, of Arizona, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: April 21, Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine protecting national security and civil liberties, focusing on strategies for terrorism information sharing, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

April 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 417, to enact a safe, fair, and responsible state secrets privilege Act, S. 257, to amend title 11, United States Code, to disallow certain claims resulting from high cost credit debts, S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 327, to amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to improve assistance to domestic and sexual violence victims and provide for technical corrections, and the nominations of R. Gil Kerlikowske, of Washington, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, and Ronald H. Weich, of the District of Columbia, to

be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: April 22, to hold hearings to examine pending health related legislation, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: April 21, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

April 23, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, April 22, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing to review producers' views on the effectiveness and operations of the Federal crop insurance program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

April 23, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing to review Federal food safety systems at the USDA, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, April 21, Subcommittee on Select Intelligence Oversight Panel, executive, on National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) and National Geospatial Intelligence Agency (NGA), 5 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 22, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Member Requests, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Supplemental Request, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

April 22, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Members Requests, 10 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on U.S. Coast Guard: Measuring Mission Needs, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Bureau of Indian Affairs: Law Enforcement and Violence, 9:30 a.m., and on Member Requests, 1:30 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on U.S. Capitol Police, and GPO, 1 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

April 22, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Base Realignment and Closure, 10 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

April 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Department of Justice, 2:30 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on U.S. Supreme Court, 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Member Requests, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Public Witnesses, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Architect of the Capitol, and CBO, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

April 23, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Outside Witnesses, 10 a.m., and on Related Agencies, 2 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

April 23, Subcommittee State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on Fiscal Year 2009 Supplemental Appropriations Request, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

April 24, Subcommittee Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Base Posture and Supplemental Request, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, April 22, Subcommittee on Readiness, on Air Sovereignty Alert Operations, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 23, full Committee, hearing on Effective Counterinsurgency: The Future of the U.S.-Pakistan Military Partnership, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on Army aircraft programs, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

April 23, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, on measuring value and risk in services contracts, 8 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Education and Labor, April 22, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on the 401(k) Fair Disclosure for Retirement Security Act of 2009, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on Ways to Reduce the Cost of Health Insurance for Employers, Employees and Their Families, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, April 21 and 22, full Committee and the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, joint hearings on The American Clean Energy Security Act of 2009, 3 p.m., on April 21 and 9:30 a.m., on April 22, 2123 Rayburn.

April 21, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Secrecy in the Response to Bayer's Fatal Chemical Plant Explosion," 12 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on H.R. 847, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing on Communications Networks and Consumer Privacy: Recent Development, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

April 23 and 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearings on The American Clean Energy Security Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, April 22, to consider H.R. 627, Credit Cardholders' Bill of Rights Act of 2009, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

April 23, hearing on H.R. 1728, Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act, 1 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, April 22, hearing on New Beginnings: Foreign Policy Priorities in the Obama Administration, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on U.S. Assistance to Africa: A Call for Foreign Aid Reform, 11:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, April 21, Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on A New Age

for Newspapers: Diversity of Voices, Competition and the Internet, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

April 22, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1913, Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2009; H.R. 1748, Fight Fraud Act of 2009; H.R. 1788, False Claims Act Correction Act of 2009; H.R. 1676, PACT Act; H.R. 1667, War Profiteering Prevention Act of 2009; and H.R. 1741, Witness Security and Protection Grant Program Act of 2009, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, April 22, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 31, Lumbee Recognition Act; H.R. 1385, Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2009; H.R. 860, Coral Reef Conservation Act Reauthorization and Enhancement Amendments of 2009; and H.R. 934, To convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 23, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 669, Nonnative Wildlife Invasion Prevention Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

April 23, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1121, Blue Ridge Parkway and Town of Blowing Rock Land Exchange Act of 2009; and H.R. 1376, Waco Mammoth National Monument Establishment Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, April 22, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing entitled "Public Service in the 21st Century: An Examination of the State of the Federal Workforce," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled "The H-2B Guestworker Program and Improving the Department of Labor's Enforcement of the Rights of Guestworkers," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "National Security Implications of the U.S. Policy toward Cuba," 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, April 22, to consider H.R. 1145, National Water Research and Development Initiative Act of 2009, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, April 22, hearing on Monitoring, Measurement and Verification of Greenhouse Gas Emissions II: The Role of Federal and Academic Research and Monitoring Programs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, to continue hearings on Oversight of NOAA's Geostationary Weather Satellite System, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

April 23, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on the Role of the SBIR and STTR Programs in Stimulating Innovation at Small High-Tech Businesses, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, April 22, hearing entitled "The Importance of Technology in an Economic Recovery," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, April 22, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on Oversight of Helicopter Medical Services, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 22, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing on Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

April 23, full Committee, hearing on An Independent FEMA: Restoring the Nation's Capabilities for Effective Emergency Management and Disaster Response, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, April 23, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on H.R. 952, COMBAT PTSD Act, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

April 23, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on VA Non-competitive Contracts, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, April 22, to continue hearings on reforming the health insurance market, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

April 23, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing to review the implementation and impact of the unemployment insurance provisions included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, April 22, executive, briefing on AFRICOM Update, 1:30 p.m., and, executive, briefing on FBI Update, 4 p.m., 304-HVC.

April 22, Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, executive, briefing on Global Climate Change, 2:30 p.m., 304 HVC.

April 23, full Committee, executive, briefing on Intelligence Community Diversity Report, 1 p.m., 304-HVC.

Joint Meetings

Joint Committee on the Library: April 23, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, and committee's rules of procedure for the 111th Congress, 11:30 a.m., SC-4, Capitol.

Joint Committee on Printing: April 23, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, and committee's rules of procedure for the 111th Congress, 11:45 a.m., SC-4, Capitol.

Joint Economic Committee: April 21, to hold hearings to examine the systemic threats of large financial institutions, 9:30 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.

Joint Economic Committee: April 23, to hold hearings to examine a quarterly report by the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP), 9:30 a.m., 210, Cannon Building.